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Applicant(s): Masaki SHIMIZU

Invention: LIGHTING APPARATUS AND LCD BACKLIGHT APPARATUS

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amended Claim Set; and
- Remarks.